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Honorable Richard B. Fussell United States Senate Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Russell:

We have recently appeared before the CIA Subcommittee of the House Appropriations Committee and have received from Chairman Cannon a letter of authorization in connection with Fiscal Year 1964 expenditures. We would be pleased to make a presentation in regard to our budget before the CIA Subcommittee of the Senate Appropriations Committee at any time if this is desired and are so informing Senator Hayden.

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On 24 June 1963 Mr. Carl Vinson introduced H. R. 7210, a bill to amend the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949, which proposes certain administrative authorities for the Agency, including an early retirement provision and the establishment of a retirement fund. This bill has been referred to the Committee on Armed Services but hearings before Subcommittee No. I have not yet been scheduled. We regard this legislation as most important to the proper administration of this Agency and would be glad to discuss it with you and de CIA Subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee at any time you deem appropriate.

Since some time has passed since we last gave your Subcomrelitee a substantive briefing, you may want to schedule a hearing at which we could discuss significant world events as well as the elivities and programs of the Agency.

Sincerely.

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